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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jon Kemppainen Gary J. Latham

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME; AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 10, 2009

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 23313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2009 for which the shortened statutory date for response was November 10, 2009. This paper is timely filed since this paper is also a request for a three-month extension of time to and including February 10, 2010. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee for a three-month extension of time (\$1110), and any further fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 to Deposit Account No.: 50-3994/AB6543USII. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding objections and rejections.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.